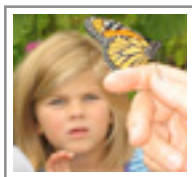




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Newsletter



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Thursday, September 20, 2007

New Faculty Members Join the Lyme School

It is my pleasure to introduce two new faculty members who joined us early at the very beginning of the year.

Dan Schnare works as a teacher's aide in Mrs. Campbell's second grade classroom. Dan attended the Upper Valley Teacher Institute and attended KUA and University of Vermont. Previously, Dan has worked as a an elementary teacher in Thailand and New Hampton, NH. "It is great to have someone with Dan's experience and energy join the second grade", says Ms. Campbell.



Our other new faculty member is Miki McGee, our Special Services Director, who coordinates special education, the federal 504 program and the Lyme School's Instructional Assistance Team. In addition to overseeing all Lyme special education students and staff, preschool through high school, Miki facilitates transitions into and out of school age programs as well as monitors procedural and program compliance. Because Lyme students attend various preschools, high schools and out-of-district placements, Miki is often called upon to represent the Lyme School District supporting the educational needs of our students.



Miki comes to Lyme from Grantham where she was a special education teacher and case manager for 10 years. Aside from learning about best practices in literacy and instruction, Miki enjoys reading, gardening, painting, swimming, camping, or anything outdoors, and mostly spending time with her three children, ages 6, 16, and 20. (I also understand her secret aspiration is to write and publish a children's book illustrated by her artist daughter).

If you have any questions or concerns with regard to special education or section 504 of the Rehabilitative Act of 1974, please call Mrs. McGee at 795-2125.

Pathways (formerly UDS) Visits Fifth Grade

For the last five years students in the fifth grade have had a unique opportunity to get to know one of the clients at UDS. His name is Jeffrey and he has lived with Cerebral Palsy since he was 5 years old. Each month he visits with the fifth graders who learn about the challenges of living with disabilities, about Cerebral Palsy and about Jeffrey himself. Each year the students grow more and more familiar with him. They often say they have adopted him as a honorary fifth grader. He visits with them and even attends some class events.

Puppies

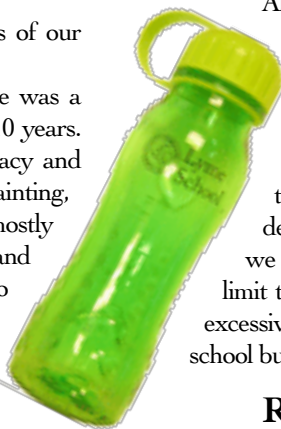
This week there has been a flurry of activity as several families have introduced their new puppies to the school. Pictured here is ShuShu (meaning "Uncle" in Mandarin) a 9 week old Cockapoo (Cocker Spaniel / Poodle mix).



Water Bottles

As you may already know from last weeks mailing, we are providing bottled water for students from several water coolers situated on each wing. We are responding to a water test which reported trace amounts of contaminants from an off site source.

Although the levels do meet NH standards for drinking water and there are currently no limitations on the use of the water at school, water fountains have been shut off as a precaution. We will provide water in this way until our next water test September 24 at which time we will have further information with which to determine our next course of action. Until such time we ask that you send your child with a water bottle to limit the consumption of paper products which result in excessive waste in our landfills and cost to our town's school budget.



Rooster Joins Second Grade

On Tuesday one of Mr. Pendleton's roosters joined Ms. Campbell's second grade class for a new (and what is likely brief) tradition "Get to know you local Poultry" day. In a

hapless attempt to assert its authority, the rooster managed to liberate itself from its crate -- unfazed the unflappable Ms. Campbell descended upon the wayward fowl and pressed it back into its proper place. Silly rooster, you know not with whom you were messing.



Correction:

Photo Day

**Friday,
September 28th**

NECAPs

(state standardized test)

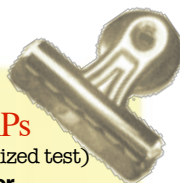
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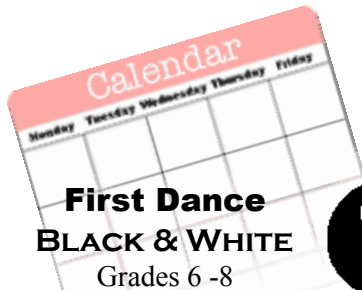
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Blisters For Books Form

School Photo Forms



**First Dance
BLACK & WHITE**

Grades 6 - 8

Friday, September 21st

7:00 pm - 9:30 pm

\$4 dressed in black & white

\$5 dressed in color

**Whaleback Mountain
Ski/Snowboard Teams**

Whaleback Mountain and the nonprofit Upper Valley Ski & Snowboard Association (UVSSA) have begun sign ups for Whaleback's alpine and freestyle, ski and snowboard teams. Sign ups will continue through the fall. For more information contact Whaleback team director Evan Dybvig at evan@whaleback.com, or call 603-448-1489 ext. 202, or visit www.whaleback.com. In addition, season passes are on sale at a 20% discount until this Sunday, September 23.

**River Cleanup
Saturday, Sept
29th**

Connecticut River Cleanup Project

Everyone is welcome.

Join us at either:

8:00am - N. Thetford Boat Launch

(contact Ed Gray- Connecticut River) and/or

9:00 am - Lyme School Playground(contact Steven Dayno- Grant Brook)
Be sure to bring your mud boots, work gloves and clean water spirit.

Message
from the
P.T.O.

Congratulations to Alexandra Elliott of Mrs. Wilcox's 3rd grade class for winning the Art Directory Cover Contest. And thank you to all that had entries. We look forward to seeing your entries next year!!!

Spirit Wear Reminder:

Tomorrow is the last day to purchase spirit wear so please get your orders in.

PTO Membership Drive Ends tomorrow. If you haven't had a chance to get you forms and membership fee in tomorrow is the last day. Remember when you become a PTO Member you will receive a Lyme School Directory with your membership.

Correction:
Photo Day

Friday, September 28th**3rd Grade Parents
ALGORITHM NIGHT**
Wednesday, September 26th
7:00 - 7:30 pm

(its not really that scary, I just like the font)



Bring Donor Card, Photo ID or 2 forms of ID

Blood Drive
**Lyme Congregational
Church**
Sunday October 21st
9 am - 1 pm
Blisters For Books

"Blisters For Book" is an annual fund raising event which takes place on the Lyme Green. Students run as many laps around the Green as they can in the half hour. After the race, they collect their pledges and the

total amount of money raised is presented to the Converse Free Library for the purchase of children's books.

This is a unique opportunity for the kids to contribute their energy to the growth of their community's resources. Therefore, we hope


parents will encourage and assist their children's efforts.

Last year we raised close to \$8000!

**Lunch**

Week of

9/24 to 9/28

Monday	Hot Dogs Baked Potato Fries Garden Salad Fruit Cup
Tuesday	Hamburger / Macaroni & Cheese Garden Salad Fresh fruit Cookies
Wednesday	Grilled Cheese Tomato Soup Garden Salad Ice Cream
Thursday 	Deli Day !! Ham & Turkey Bulkies Chips Garden Salad Fresh fruit Hot Chocolate !!!
Friday	Homemade Pizza Garden Salad Mixed Fresh Fruit Cookies



Milk is available everyday at Lunch


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 or just stop by.
CONVERSE FREE LIBRARY**"Stories and Play"**

Tuesdays, 10:30-11:30 pm

Wednesdays, 4:30-6:00 pm

For parents and young children (babies through pre-K). Stories and a craft for the "older" children and informal reading and play for the younger ones. The late afternoon program is more informal with a light snack and stories on demand.

This series will be weekly through November 20 and 21st.

October 4th Grades 3-6: Movie, The Last Mimzy, (rated PG). 2-4PM.